

# Washington/ Oregon APWA 2006 Spring Conference

## March 28 - 31, 2006

**Vancouver, Washington will host a  
joint Washington-Oregon American  
Public Works Association  
conference in March, 2006.**

**Network with colleagues from both Oregon and Washington.**

**Attend informative  
seminars and workshops.**

**Play in the golf tournament, plant native trees or take a tour of  
Portland's 'big pipe project.'**

**Come join us!**

## PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

### **Successful Public Works Projects from Z to A**

***Presented by John Carpita***

Tuesday, March 28, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$75, includes lunch, snacks, and 6 CEUs or 6 hours credit for CASC Certificate

Join fellow public works contract administrators and managers in 'reverse engineering' public works contracts. Find out, first, what successful public works contracts feel, look, and smell like, then how your agency can consistently accomplish them.

#### **Topics:**

- What is a successful public works construction contract?
- How can you successfully manage claims, change orders and force account work?
- What really needs to be done before you even consider going out for bids?
- What do Washington State Statutes (RCWs) and Administrative Rules (WACs) really say about public works contracts?

#### **Faculty List:**

- John W. Carpita, PE, MRSC Public Works Consultant
- Richard G. Andrews, Sound Transit Construction Manager
- Ron R. Leaders, Contract Solutions Group Senior Consultant
- K. Wendell Adams, PE, City of Yakima City Engineer
- Roger Mason, PE, CH2M Hill Project Manager
- Randy Brackett, PE, Island County Assistant County Engineer

## **Excellence in Public Works**

### **Top Ten Leaders from Washington and Oregon divulge their secrets for success**

#### ***Presented by John Ostrowski***

Tuesday, March 28, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$75, includes lunch & snacks

*Prerequisite: Washington State's Public Works Administrator Training Course or Oregon State's Public Works Leadership Skills*

Speakers will offer personal perspectives regarding what it takes to be successful as a Public Works Leader. Part of the workshop will also involve case studies supplied by the participants themselves.

#### **Presenters/Year Selected:**

- Richard Sandaas 1986
- Jerry Fay 1992
- Jack Pittis 1993
- William Sterling 1993
- David Rhodes 1996
- Larry Southwick 1997
- John Ostrowski 1998
- John Trent 2001
- Dan Boss 2004

## **ACTIVITIES**

### **Golf Tournament**

#### **Camas Meadows Golf Club**

**Tuesday, March 28, 11 a.m. check-in, 1:00 p.m. shotgun start**

*Cost: \$100 per person (includes cart, boxed lunch, post-event BBQ and door prizes).*

*Maximum of 144 participants.*

Camas Meadows integrates towering evergreen trees, lush natural wetlands and bright grassy meadows into nearly every hole of their par 72 championship course.

Please place me with the following players: #1 \_\_\_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_\_\_ #3 \_\_\_\_\_

### **Community Tree Planting Event**

#### **Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center**

**Wednesday, March 29, 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

Participate in a native tree planting event at the Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center. Columbia Springs is located on 100-acres of urban greenspace at the historic Vancouver Trout Hatchery. Transportation for event participants will be coordinated through pick up at the lobby of the Hilton Hotel and Convention Center (north entrance) at 3:30 p.m. All plants and tools will be provided through sponsor agencies. Participants are encouraged to wear footwear for negotiating uneven terrain and dress appropriately for potentially wet conditions.

### **Fun Run/Walk - 5K or 10K**

#### **Vancouver's waterfront along the Columbia River**

**Wednesday, March 29, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.**

*Cost: \$8 (includes T-shirt)*

Take a run or walk along Vancouver's beautiful waterfront trail. The Columbia River makes a great backdrop for your 5K or 10K excursion. Participants will leave from the Hilton Hotel at 5 p.m.

## **"Big Pipe" Project Tour**

### **Portland's west side**

**Thursday, March 30, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

The \$293 million West Side Big Pipe Project, now under construction in Portland, Oregon, is a 14-foot diameter tunnel that parallels the Willamette River for 3 ½ miles. When completed in August, 2006, the pipe will collect and store wastewater from the existing sewers and convey it under the river to the new Swan Island Pump Station. The tour will give attendees a look at the project that constructs the City of Portland's largest sewer line and a massive new pump station.

## **Guest Program Tours**

### **Oregon's Columbia River Gorge**

**Thursday, March 30, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

*Cost: \$25*

Enjoy lunch on your own at Skamania Lodge, an all season resort in the grand tradition of the classic lodges of the West, and spend the day shopping and sight-seeing in the beautiful Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. The day will include visits to the Columbia Gorge Premium Outlets stores, Crowne Point, Bridge of the Gods, Skamania Lodge, and Multnomah Falls. See the conference Web site to view the complete itinerary.

# **ACCOMODATIONS**

### **Hilton Hotel Vancouver**

301 West 6th Street

Vancouver, WA 98660

1-800-Hiltons (1-800-445-8667)

\$91 & tax

Group Code: APW

### **Red Lion Hotel Vancouver at the Quay**

100 Columbia Street

Vancouver, WA 98660

360-694-8341

\$89.95 Single / \$99.95 Double & tax

### **Red Lion Hotel on the River - Jantzen Beach** (just across the river)

909 N. Hayden Island Drive

Portland, OR 97217

503-283-4466

\$95 & tax (call before March 1st)

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### **Shilo Inn - Downtown Vancouver**

401 E. 13th Street

Vancouver, WA 98660

360-696-0411

\$67 Single or Double & tax

### **Econo Lodge**

601 Broadway

Vancouver, WA 98660

360-693-3668

\$52 Single / \$85 Double & tax

**Registration Questions?** Contact Mary Jo Hoffman at 360-696-8290, ext. 8095 or  
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**Exhibitor Questions?** Contact Janine LaMaie at 206-431-2257 or  
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**General Conference Questions?** Contact Anita Johnson at 360-397-6118, ext. 4363 or  
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**For the most up-to-date Conference information go to  
<http://apwa.clark.wa.gov>**